

ECONOMIC CONFERENCE.

(Nos. 108—111.)

SUBJECT No. 108.

Appointment of the District Economic Superintendents as *Ex-officio* Secretaries of the District Committees.

Mr. C. Channakesaviah, Chitaldrug taluk.

Summary of discussion.—District Economic Superintendents are attached to all the districts. In addition to these, there are secretaries also. The work of the latter is very light and can conveniently be entrusted to the former. These District Superintendents may be appointed *ex-officio* secretaries to the respective District Committees, and the office of the separate secretaries done away with and the allowance, Rs. 3,120 per annum, sanctioned to them, saved.

It was pointed out that in the Kolar District the Superintendent was acting as Secretary also, while in the Mysore, Tumkur, and some other districts the existing system was working well.

Reply of Government.—Noted. The arrangement which may suit one district may not suit another. Both systems are being tried. After some experience is gained, the matter will be considered.

SUBJECT No. 109.

Members for the Economic Conference.

Messrs. (a) Nanjappasetti, Mysore District Board, and (b) T. Abdul Khader, Muslim Association, Tarikere.

Summary of discussion.—(a) Local Boards and Municipal Councils may be constituted into special electorates for representation in the Mysore Economic Conference, and

(b) a non-official Mohammedan member may be nominated for the Economic Conference.

Reply of Government.—(a) Will be considered after orders are issued on the Local Self-Government Scheme. (b) Noted.

SUBJECT No. 110.

Economic Conference Bulletins.

Messrs. (a) Mahomed Abbas Khan, Central Mohammedan Association, Bangalore, and (b) K. S. Santhanam Iyengar, Closepet Municipality.

Summary of discussion.—(a) The bulletins issued by the Economic Conference may be published in Hindustani also, and

(b) they may be placed on the Editors' table.

Reply of Government.—Will be considered.

SUBJECT No. 111.

Suits in regard to loans granted by Co-operative Credit Societies.

Messrs. Sitharamiah, Hiriur taluk, and D. Ramanna, Chitaldrug District Board.

Summary of discussion.—About 500 Co-operative Credit Societies have already come into existence in the State. There will be at least one case of non-payment from each society. At this average rate the Registrar will have about 500 suits per month to be dealt with in his office. This will entail very heavy work in that office and consequently considerable delay will occur in the disposal of cases. Parties cannot go to Bangalore to have their cases disposed of as the expense of travelling is heavy while the amount of the suit is small. The rules on the subject may therefore be modified so as to confer powers on Deputy Commissioners, Sub-Division Officers, and Amildars to deal with such suits.

Reply of Government.—Noted.